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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

Applicants file this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 8, 2006, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims based upon the following amendments and remarks. Submitted herewith is a petition for a three-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Office Action mailed August 8, 2006, now set to expire February 8, 2007. Form PTO-2038 is enclosed herewith authorizing a charge in the amount of \$1020.00 to cover the fee for the three-month extension.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically filed with the United States Patent & Trademark Office through its EFS-Web electronic filing system on February 8, 2007.

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